

September

Friday September 2, Trail Canyon- This 4 mile out-and-back hike with Claire will have you trekking up about 1,500 feet on a steep trail, shaded with ponderosa pine and mountain mahogany trees. We'll keep our eyes open for several small caves that are carved into the limestone walls above the trail. Strenuous, 4 miles. Ages 15+. Limited space.

Saturday September 3, All About Butterflies!- Bring the family out to Red Rock for a program with Jenny all about butterflies and their stages of life! Kids will get to see and learn about butterflies through stories, activities, music and a craft. If the weather is good, we will be outside, so wear sturdy shoes, sunscreen, and bring water for a short hike! Easy. Ages 2-7 (siblings welcome!). Limited space.

Saturday September 3, Mascot Max- Come out to Red Rock Canyon NCA and meet "Mascot Max," a representation of Mojave Max, and learn some interesting facts about Nevada's State Reptile, the Desert Tortoise! No sign ups necessary.

Sunday September 4, Uses of the Land- How would we make sandals out of natural materials in the desert? What would we do if we had no grocery stores? Visitors will learn some of the ways natives used the land's resources for tools, housing and clothing. Visit Liz during this ongoing table top presentation from 1:00-3:00pm at the Visitor Center. No sign ups necessary.

Monday September 5, Red Rock Canyon Geology Field Trip Around the Scenic Drive- Join geologist Nick S. on a geological field trip around the Scenic Drive. We will car caravan and stop at selected places around the drive for short walks to see and discuss the magnificent geology. Easy. Ages 10+. Limited space.

Monday September 5, White Rock Loop Hike- Let's "labor" around White Rock Loop with Jen V. for this holiday hike. Those that don't want to do the entire 6 miles can leave a car at Keystone Thrust parking lot. This beautiful hike will start us up for a great day. Moderate, 3-6 miles. Ages 12+. Limited space.

Tuesday September 6, Calico I Moon Hike- The Calico I trail is directly in the middle of Red Rock Canyon, giving it great views in all directions. This makes it a great place to see the sun fade away and the moon pass across the sky. Join Aaron to experience a different side of Red Rock Canyon. Bring a flashlight! Moderate, 3 miles. Ages 12+. Limited space.

Wednesday September 7, Birds of Red Rock Table Top- Join Aaron for a table top presentation on birds of Red Rock Canyon from 10am to 2pm. Visitors will learn how different types of birds hunt and survive in the wild. Ongoing, no sign ups necessary.

Wednesday September 7, Jewelry Making-Colors of Red Rock- Join Jen V. for this easy "no experience" beaded jewelry making class. We'll use gemstones and beads that reflect colors of Red Rock Canyon. All materials will be supplied, but if you have any of your own beads/findings, please bring them! You'll make a necklace, bracelet, or pair of earrings. Easy. Ages 12+. Limited space.

Friday September 9, Canyon Clean Up- Join Janis in an effort to help keep Red Rock Canyon NCA clean and beautiful! We will pick a trail to clean up trash, enjoy the scenery and meet new people. Easy. Good for all ages! Limited space.

Friday September 9, Hiking Trail and Hiking Safety of Red Rock Canyon- Ever wonder just where a certain trail at Red Rock goes? Ever wonder what you should bring on every hike? Join Aaron from 10am to 2pm in the Visitor Center classroom for ongoing presentations on hiking at Red Rock Canyon. We will have our best photos and detailed maps of all trails available. No sign ups necessary.

Saturday September 10, All About Bird Beaks!- Bring the family out to Red Rock for a program with Jenny all about birds and how they use their beaks to survive! Kids will get to learn about birds through stories, activities, music and a craft. If the weather is good, we will be outside, so wear sturdy shoes, sunscreen, and bring water for a short hike! Easy. Ages 2-7 (siblings welcome!). Limited space.

Saturday September 10, Second Saturday Salon- Come out to Red Rock Canyon NCA and join in our Second Saturday Salon, with guest speaker geophysicist, Jim O'Donnell. Seating is limited, so please be sure to RSVP! 1:00pm – 2:00pm in the Visitor Center.

Sunday September 11, Fall Wildflowers: First Creek- Join Dr. Bob on this pleasant fall hike that includes a waterfall-grotto, a permanent spring, and hopefully many fall wildflowers. Easy to moderate, 3 miles. Limited space.

Sunday September 11, Animals of Red Rock- Visitors will be introduced to different types of animals that live in Red Rock. There will be animal pellets, as well as some living reptiles and arachnids. Stop by Liz's table top presentation at the Visitor Center between 1:00-3:00pm during your visit to Red Rock. No sign ups necessary.

Monday September 12, Ice Box Canyon Hike- Join geologist Nick S. on a three-mile hike into Ice Box Canyon cut into the Wilson Cliffs. We will hike through Lower Jurassic formations that were deposited after Southern Nevada emerged from the sea and before formation of the sand dunes of the Aztec Sandstone. There is some boulder scrambling along this trail. Moderate to strenuous, 3 miles. Ages 12+.

Tuesday September 13, Art Naturally- Come try painting at Red Rock with Jenny! This Tuesday, bring yourself and a love for nature as we create a masterpiece worth showing off! This is a "no pressure," all fun art class! No experience necessary and all supplies are included! Ages 15+. Limited space.

Tuesday September 13, Fossil Ridge Full Moon Hike- Fossil Ridge is one of the most beautiful and diverse locations in the Rock. Overlooking the canyon, this is a great place to see the desert night unfold. Join Aaron here for a 2.5 mile hike to learn the stories behind the constellations and the full moon. Bring a flashlight! Moderate, 2.5 miles. Ages 12+. Limited space.

Wednesday September 14, Birds of Red Rock Table Top- Join Aaron for a table top presentation on birds of Red Rock Canyon from 10am to 2pm. Visitors will learn how different types of birds hunt and survive in the wild. Ongoing, no sign ups necessary.

Saturday September 17, All About Owls!- Bring the family out to Red Rock for a program with Jenny all about the Great Horned Owl. Kids will get to learn about owls through stories, activities, music and a craft. If the weather is good, we will be outside, so wear sturdy shoes, sunscreen, and bring water for a short hike! Easy. Ages 2-7 (siblings welcome!). Limited space.

Sunday September 18, Corn Creek Spring Walk- Corn Creek Spring rises to the surface at a fault and feeds three ponds at this headquarters of the Desert National Wildlife Refuge. It is a major bird watching area and is prime habitat for aquatic plants and animals. Join Dr. Bob during the morning to observe all these creatures in a surprising and historical setting. Easy, 1/2 mile. Good for all ages. Limited space.

Sunday September 18, Adaptations- Visitors will be introduced to different types of animals and plants to see what kinds of adaptations they have developed. During your visit to Red Rock, stop by and visit Liz's ongoing table top presentation in the Visitor Center anytime between 1:00pm and 3:00pm.

Monday September 19, Echo Canyon Trail Hike- Join geologist Nick S. on a three-mile hike where we will see and discuss the geological features along the Echo Canyon trail. We will see the Permian-Triassic geological contact after hiking through a deep canyon cut in the Permian formations. Moderate, 3 miles. Ages 10+. Limited space.

Monday September 19th, Lost Creek Adventures: Join Jen V. as we walk around the Lost Creek Children's Discovery Trail. We'll find evidence of past cultures and discuss what it would have been like to live in this area. We may spot some wildlife too! Easy, 1 mile. Ages 6+. Limited space.

Saturday September 24, All About Energy!- Bring the family out to Red Rock for a program with Jenny how animals, including people, depend on plants for food and energy! Kids will get to learn through stories, activities, music and a craft. If the weather is good, we will be outside, so wear sturdy shoes, sunscreen, and bring water for a short hike! Easy. Ages 2-7 (siblings welcome!). Limited space.

Saturday September 24, Story Time- Join Janis for some fun stories about the Mojave Desert! On-going stories for children at the Visitor Center. No sign ups necessary.

Saturday September 24, Earth Tones- Kids and adults will love to swirl and twirl their paintbrushes at this nature-based art class! So bring the whole family out to dive into a world of color and creativity through painting! We will also use music to get into the rhythm of Red Rock and get moving! No experience necessary, all supplies are included! Ages 4+. Limited space.

Sunday September 25, Springs Hike- This hike with Dr. Bob will focus on the springs, birds and animals occurring at Red Rock Canyon. Springs included will be Whispering Ben, Mormon Green and Wheeler Camp. There's about 50% chance we'll see burros on this hike. Easy, 3 miles. Ages 6+. Limited space.

Sunday September 25, Can There Be Teamwork in the Wild?- Visitors will learn that even in the wild there can be teamwork. Coyotes and badgers have been noted to work together to catch prey. Visitors will learn how they do this and why they do this at a table top presentation from Liz. Ongoing, no sign ups necessary.

Monday September 26, White Rock Loop Hike- Let's celebrate autumn with Jen V. as we hike around White Rock and take in the beautiful sights and sounds of the desert and forest. We will visit a spring and maybe see some wildlife. Moderate, 3-6 miles. Ages 12+. Limited space.

Monday September 26, Calico Tanks Hike- Join geologist Nick S. on a scenic three-mile hike to the Calico Tanks, with 400 feet of elevation gain. The hike provides an intimate look at the geology of the Jurassic Aztec Sandstone. Moderate, 3 miles. Ages 10+. Limited space.

Tuesday September 27, Art Naturally- Come try painting at Red Rock with Jenny! This Tuesday, bring yourself and a love for nature as we create a masterpiece worth showing off! This is a "no pressure," all fun art class! No experience necessary and all supplies are included! Ages 15+. Limited space.

Wednesday September 28, Moenkopi Trail- Join Jen V. as we explore the many views, plants and maybe even some critters along the way! Easy, 2 miles. Limited space.

Friday September 30, Canyon Clean Up- Join Janis in an effort to help keep Red Rock Canyon NCA clean and beautiful! We will pick a trail to clean up trash, enjoy the scenery and meet new people. Easy. Good for all ages! Limited space.